

CHAPTER 3

I. SUMMARY OF SERVICES AND PROGRAMS - 2004

Clinical Services: all local public health agencies in Missouri offer immunizations including childhood immunization and influenza and pneumonia vaccinations. Ninety-one percent (91%) of agencies offer WIC services. A majority of agencies (59%) provided family planning services during the preceding year. Forty-two percent (42%) of agencies provide breast and cervical cancer screening; and approximately 25% of agencies provide well child exams for non-Medicaid children, HCY exams for children covered by Medicaid, and prenatal care. A few local agencies (9%) offer dental sealants, and 10% offer other dental health services. A few agencies (10%) also offer primary care that meets the definition “sick and well care for people of all ages.” (See Graphs 5.1 and Data Tables 5.1)

Screening and Testing: 99% of local public health agencies test for tuberculosis. Screening or testing for hypertension, HIV, and pregnancy is performed by 90% or more of agencies. Over 80% of agencies screen for diabetes, elevated blood lead, and sexually transmitted diseases. Screening for cholesterol and hearing problems is offered by over 70% of agencies, and over 60% offer vision screening and/or conduct screenings for schools. (See Graphs 5.2 and Data Tables 5.2)

Other Services and Programs: environmental health services are reportedly provided by 113 of the 114 local public health agencies. Ninety percent (90%) or more of agencies inspect childcare facilities, refer women for prenatal care, assist clients with MC+ applications, and offer assistance for people with disability or language barriers to access care. Eighty percent (80%) or more of agencies issue Temporary Medicaid Cards for eligible pregnant women, provide nursing consultation in childcare facilities, and provide nutritional counseling. Other programs and services offered by over half of agencies (54% to 79%) include case management of children with elevated lead levels, prenatal case management, tobacco use prevention programs, women’s health programs, and cancer screening and prevention education. A number of agencies (40% to 50%) provide home visits for newborn infants, distribute child safety seats, and conduct prevention and management activities for diabetes and cardiovascular disease.

Home health services are provided by 39 agencies (34%). Four (4) fewer agencies provided home health in 2004 than did in 2003. (See Graphs 5.3 and Data Tables 5.3)